

July 4 - 7, 2010
Vancouver School of Theology
Vancouver, British Columbia

The National Worship Conference is a biennial conference sponsored by [the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada](#) and [the Anglican Church of Canada](#).

This year's theme, 'Taking Care of the Neighbourhood: Worship as Public Work for the Common Good', will guide us as we explore how worship shapes us to care for our communities and our world. Speakers include Sallie McFague, Doug Todd, Mark MacDonald, and Karen Ward as well as skilled workshop facilitators.

If you are interested in attending this conference, please see Pr. Peter Fischer for more information or visit www.nationalworshipconference.org

FUNDRAISING

The BC Synod in convention has authorized a special fundraising appeal to address the current financial shortcoming of the synod.

Please prayerfully consider making a donation to the Synod's "Season of Pentecost Synod Fund" using the BC Synod envelopes in the narthex.

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THANK YOU

The children of Pr. Ann Strand would like to thank the members of First Lutheran Church for the many ways you have indicated your support and love of our mother. Your many cards, memorials, and remembrances are deeply appreciated. She loved her time of ministry with you and cherished the many relationships she developed here.

Ordination of the New Bishop

The ordination of the **Rev. Dr. Gregory Mohr** as Bishop of British Columbia of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada will be held at Mount Olive Lutheran Church (2350 148th Street Surrey) on **Monday, July 5, at 7:00 pm.**

(Refreshment to follow)

FURNITURE NEEDED

Joel Gahungu and his son have just moved in to their new place and need 2 double size beds and a couch. If any of you or you know someone who have something to donate, please call the church office.



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“Now the Feast and Celebration”

Worshippers may wish to light a votive candle in memory of a loved one or for meditation. This may be done at any time before or during the liturgy except during community prayers, readings or homily. Since the number of candles is limited and to avoid mishaps, parents and caregivers are asked to be attentive when allowing children to light one.

INTRODUCTION

The enormity of our sin is surpassed only by the mercy of God. We come, repentant, to the table of the Lord. In the body and blood of Jesus, in the announcement of our absolution, all our sins are forgiven. "Happy are they ... whose sin is put away." Happy are we.

PRESERVICE MUSIC

*Mothering Earth You Gave Me Birth
Abbot's Leigh*

David Cherwien
Robert Hobby

GATHERING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Gracious God, have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.**

Announcements

CHURCH LIBRARY

First Lutheran is in need of a person or persons who would be willing to take on the responsibility of our library which is located in the basement. The duties would entail:

- selecting new books
- deciding which of the current books should remain
- purchasing a bookcase
- keeping the library in good order

First Lutheran is willing to pay for the books and bookcase (unless somebody in the congregation would be willing to do so).

If you are interested would you please speak to Jeanette or contact her at mjprice@shaw.ca or 604 251-2656.

Thank you.



Please sign up on the worship leaders sign up sheet for June and July posted in the narthex bulletin board.

Please consider signing up to be a **Fellowship Host**. The roster for July 4 - Oct. 31, 2010 is posted on the bulletin board in the narthex. Choose the date that would be best for you. If you have questions, please contact a member of the Hospitality Committee (Julie B., Karen K., or Ingrid B.)

Congratulations to **Chris Liu and Linda Hu** on the birth of their second child, **Daniel Ziya Liu**, born on May 22, 2010. Linda and the baby will be back to China in the first week of July.

FLC's Community Potluck Dinner

**Friday, July 16th, 2010
6:30 PM**

Any and all are invited.



If anyone has or knows of a basement suite or small apartment available this fall for a female student, from Calgary, entering an MA programme at UBC, please call the church office as quickly as possible.

MEAL

GREAT THANKSGIVING p. 10 (Red Folders)

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (*Acclamations 2 & 3*)

“LAMB OF GOD”

FRACTION

The gifts of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**



It is Christ himself who invites all the baptized members of God's family — and all our guests — to come to his table where he gives his body and blood, along with the gifts of forgiveness, life and salvation, under the forms of bread and wine. After receiving the bread into the open, upraised palm, all may drink from the first (common) cup or, if desired, have an individual glass filled from the second (pouring) cup.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Moonlight Sonata

Ludwig van Beethoven

SENDING

“THANKS BE TO YOU” p. 14 (Red Folders)

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray. God our creator, at this table you have satisfied us with the good things of your grace. Fix our hearts on your mercy and truth, that our lives may reflect your love for all creation, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

BENEDICTION

SENDING HYMN #844 *“Praise to the Lord”*

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ is with us. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE *Epilogue* Norman Gilbert

GATHERING HYMN #526 *“God is Here”*

GREETING AND KYRIE p. 3 (Red Folders)

“NOW THE FEAST”

SALUTATION AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. O God, throughout the ages you judge your people with mercy, and you inspire us to speak your truth. By your Spirit, anoint us for lives of faith and service, and bring all people into your forgiveness, through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord. **Amen.**

WORD

FIRST READING: 1 Kings 21:1–21a

Ahab and Jezebel ruled Israel in the days of Elijah. Misusing their royal power, they have Naboth the Jezreelite killed in order to seize the land that is his family inheritance. God sends the prophet Elijah to confront them with their sin.

Later the following events took place: Naboth the Jezreelite had a vineyard in Jezreel, beside the palace of King Ahab of Samaria. ²And Ahab said to Naboth, "Give me your vineyard, so that I may have it for a vegetable garden, because it is near my house; I will give you a better vineyard for it; or, if it seems good to you, I will give you its value in money." ³But Naboth said to Ahab, "The LORD forbid that I should give you my ancestral inheritance." ⁴Ahab went home resentful and sullen because of what Naboth the Jezreelite had said to him; for he had said, "I will not give you my ancestral inheritance." He lay down on his bed, turned away his face, and would not eat. ⁵His wife Jezebel came to him and said, "Why are you so depressed that you will not eat?" ⁶He said to her, "Because I spoke to Naboth the Jezreelite and said to him, 'Give me your vineyard for money; or else, if you prefer, I will give you another vineyard for it'; but he answered, 'I will not give you my vineyard.'" ⁷His wife Jezebel said to him, "Do you now govern Israel? Get up, eat some food, and be cheerful; I will give you the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite." ⁸So she wrote letters in Ahab's name and sealed them with his seal; she sent the letters to the elders and the nobles who lived with Naboth in his city. ⁹She wrote in the letters, "Proclaim a fast, and seat Naboth at the head of the assembly; ¹⁰eat two scoundrels opposite him, and have them bring a charge against him, saying, 'You have cursed God and the king.' Then take him out, and stone him to death." ¹¹The men of his city, the elders and the nobles who lived in his city, did as Jezebel had sent word to them. Just as it was written in the letters that she had sent to them, ¹²they proclaimed a fast and seated Naboth at the head of the assembly. ¹³The two scoundrels came in and sat opposite him; and the scoundrels brought a charge against Naboth, in the presence of the people, saying, "Naboth cursed God and the king." So they took him outside the city, and stoned him to death. ¹⁴Then they sent to Jezebel, saying, "Naboth has been stoned; he is dead."

me no kiss, but from the time I came in she has not stopped kissing my feet. ⁴⁶You did not anoint my head with oil, but she has anointed my feet with ointment. ⁴⁷Therefore, I tell you, her sins, which were many, have been forgiven; hence she has shown great love. But the one to whom little is forgiven, loves little." ⁴⁸Then he said to her, "Your sins are forgiven." ⁴⁹But those who were at the table with him began to say among themselves, "Who is this who even forgives sins?" ⁵⁰And he said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you; go in peace." Soon afterwards he went on through cities and villages, proclaiming and bringing the good news of the kingdom of God. The twelve were with him, ²as well as some women who had been cured of evil spirits and infirmities: Mary, called Magdalene, from whom seven demons had gone out, ³and Joanna, the wife of Herod's steward Chuza, and Susanna, and many others, who provided for them out of their resources.

Response to conclusion of reading: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

HOMILY

HYMN OF THE DAY #641 "All Are Welcome"

APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.*
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

SECOND READING: Galatians 2:15–21

Paul preaches on the power of God's grace to make us faithful. We are made right with God through Jesus Christ alone, through no work of our own. As a result, Christ's life has become our whole identity.

¹⁵We ourselves are Jews by birth and not Gentile sinners; ¹⁶yet we know that a person is justified not by the works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ. And we have come to believe in Christ Jesus, so that we might be justified by faith in Christ, and not by doing the works of the law, because no one will be justified by the works of the law. ¹⁷But if, in our effort to be justified in Christ, we ourselves have been found to be sinners, is Christ then a servant of sin? Certainly not! ¹⁸But if I build up again the very things that I once tore down, then I demonstrate that I am a transgressor. ¹⁹For through the law I died to the law, so that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; ²⁰and it is no longer I who live, but it is Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. ²¹I do not nullify the grace of God; for if justification comes through the law, then Christ died for nothing.

Response after the reading: **Thanks be to God.**

SOLO "Amahoro Ya Yesu Niyo Ngomba" (I Want Peace of Jesus)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

p. 7 (sing twice)

(Red Folders)

HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 7:36—8:3

Through a dramatic encounter of rich and poor, righteous and sinner, Jesus teaches the relationship between receiving mercy and responding with a lavish outpouring of love. Jesus also provokes his host by claiming authority to forgive sins.

Response after announcement: **Glory to you, O God.**

³⁶One of the Pharisees asked Jesus to eat with him, and he went into the Pharisee's house and took his place at the table. ³⁷And a woman in the city, who was a sinner, having learned that he was eating in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster jar of ointment. ³⁸She stood behind him at his feet, weeping, and began to bathe his feet with her tears and to dry them with her hair. Then she continued kissing his feet and anointing them with the ointment. ³⁹Now when the Pharisee who had invited him saw it, he said to himself, "If this man were a prophet, he would have known who and what kind of woman this is who is touching him — that she is a sinner." ⁴⁰Jesus spoke up and said to him, "Simon, I have something to say to you." "Teacher," he replied, "speak." ⁴¹A certain creditor had two debtors; one owed five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. ⁴²When they could not pay, he canceled the debts for both of them. Now which of them will love him more?" ⁴³Simon answered, "I suppose the one for whom he canceled the greater debt." And Jesus said to him, "You have judged rightly." ⁴⁴Then turning toward the woman, he said to Simon, "Do you see this woman? I entered your house; you gave me no water for my feet, but she has bathed my feet with her tears and dried them with her hair. ⁴⁵You gave